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Cat rabies confirmed in West Ocean City

Worcester County Health Department has confirmed that a cat tested positive for rabies last week. The cat was found at Ocean Village at Old Bridge, a townhome community off Route 707 (Old Bridge Rd) in West Ocean City. The cat was fed as part of a colony of cats at the property and is described as a small white female with orange and tabby patches.

Health department officials warn that any person, pet or other animal that may have had contact with this cat or any other cat from the colony, could be at risk for rabies exposure. Rabies is a serious disease transmitted by an infected animal. If anyone believes they had contact between May 29, 2016 and June 11, 2016, call the Worcester County Health Department immediately at 410-641-9559. If you call after hours or on the weekend, call Worcester County Emergency Services at 410-632-1311 to reach health department on-call staff.

If a person has been bitten or scratched, he or she should seek immediate medical care. Post-exposure treatment is necessary to prevent rabies. If not treated, rabies is fatal. Additionally, if a pet has had contact with this cat or any cat from the colony, contact your veterinarian.

For more information about rabies, please visit our website at <http://www.worcester-health.org>.

Otters coming to Discovery Center

The new Wally Gordon River Otter Exhibit at the Delmarva Discovery Center in Pocomoke is entering its final stages of construction. The Center will be picking up two male otters in early July and allowing them to adjust to their new habitat for a few weeks before opening it to the public.

There will be a special Members Only opening on Sunday July 24 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The grand opening for the public is set for Monday July 25.

MSSA to meet

The Atlantic Coast Chapter of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association will meet on Tuesday June 28. The meeting will be held at the Lion's Club on Airport Rd. in West Ocean City. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.; doors open at 7 p.m. Guest are welcome and encouraged to attend.



Donation - Most Blessed Sacrament (MBS) announced recently a generous monetary donation from The Myers Family to be used towards resurfacing the school's gymnasium floor. Pictured here are MBSCS students **Kevin Myers**, **Ashton Myers** and **Christian Myers** presenting a check to the school.

Pines schedules holiday events

The Ocean Pines Association invites area residents to celebrate July 4th at the community's popular holiday events.

The day will kick off with the 5th Annual OPA Freedom 5K Run at 8 a.m. at the South Gate Pond. Participants are encouraged to wear red, white and blue at this family-friendly event, which benefits "Athletes Serving Athletes."

The cost is \$25 with pre-registration or \$35 the day of the event. The first 250 registered runners are guaranteed event t-shirts. Registrations will be accepted online at Active.com or OceanPines.org, by calling the Ocean Pines Recreation and Parks Department at 410-641-7052 or in person

at the Ocean Pines Community Center at 235 Ocean Parkway.

The all-American fun will continue at the Sports Core property with the annual 4th of July Celebration held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will feature a DJ, water slides, carnival games, refreshments and more. Waterslide wristbands for unlimited rides will be sold for \$6; tickets may be sold for additional games and rides. The regular daily pool rates apply for those wishing to swim.

This year, the holiday will be capped off with the opportunity to watch fireworks displays at two locations. The Yacht Club Pool deck, with a

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Celebration - The 40 year anniversary celebration of the Arts Council at the annual meeting was held at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club on Sunday June 12. Shown are the volunteers who organized the event: Kay Hickman, Pat Barrett, Marcy Snyder, Carol Dorman, Sharon Sorrentino and Anna Mullis.

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Mediacom listens to customer concerns

By Kelsey Reichenberg

On June 16, representatives of Mediacom hosted a town hall meeting in the Ocean Pines Community Center to address Ocean Pines residents' questions and concerns about their cable and internet services.

The meeting began as Mediacom's Government Relations Manager Carrie Boggs read and answered questions that were sent in by residents prior to the meeting. The first question asked what Mediacom is doing to improve internet speed in Ocean Pines. Boggs responded to the question as she announced that Mediacom plans to invest over a billion dollars to upgrade their infrastructure to 1 GB within the next 3 years.

The next question sent in before the meeting asked why the MLB network channel is not included in the channels Mediacom offers. Mediacom's Marketing Manager Brad Koetters, informed attendees that Mediacom is constantly searching for new content to add to their selection. While there is not yet a mutual agreement between MLB and Mediacom, they are working on reaching one. "We don't want to have to increase rates for just one channel," Koetters stated.

The last question that was sent in asked how one is able to receive a credible answer for renewal costs. The resident who asked the question received differing answers on costs to renew his contract when he called Mediacom. Koetters went on to explain that each department has different promotions, so someone who calls in might get a different answer depending on which department he calls. Promotions change every one to three months, and the customer service representative tries to offer the caller the best priced package to meet his needs.

After the representatives answered the questions sent in prior to the meeting, they opened the floor to the attendees, allowing them to voice their questions and concerns.

Audience members spoke up about a variety of concerns, including the price of Mediacom services, Media-



*Mediacom representatives during the town meeting.
Photo by Kelsey Reichenberg*

com technicians taking too long to come out to their homes when there is a problem with their services, lack of professionalism among Mediacom technicians and lack of customer service as a result of no competition.

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The sun and surf of Ocean City, Maryland, have been attracting visitors since Algonquian tribes first came to our beaches to fish and sun themselves.

Did You Know...
Europeans first arrived in 1524 when Giovanni da Verrazano surveyed the east coast of North America. By the 17th century, British colonists had moved north from Virginia and settled in the area.

Due to Ocean City's isolation as a barrier island, the town remained a sleepy fishing village until 1875, when the Atlantic Hotel began welcoming visitors. The following year, the railroad bridged Sinepuxent Bay, and a resort was born.

In 1878, heroes took up residence. The U.S. Life-Saving Service, an ancestor of today's Coast Guard, established a station here. Their mission: to venture out in stormy seas and rescue shipwreck victims. The second station, built in 1891, is now the Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum, enshrining Ocean City's history and saluting the brave men who worked here.

Puppy is new face of Worcester County Animal Control

Worcester County Animal Control (WCAC) Officers invite animal lovers of all ages to stop by their shelter on U.S. Rte. 113 near Snow Hill to meet their new mascot, Sarge, a 15-week-old American Pit Bull mix, and visit the many loving dogs and cats available for adoption.

"Sarge is a love bug," Chief Animal Control Officer Sue Rantz said. "As many Animal Control friends know, in October of 2014 we lost our beloved mascot, Harley, an American Pit Bull to pancreatic cancer. His loss left a void in our team that we felt for some time, but when this little guy came along, we knew he would make a great new addition to our staff!"

Animal Control is a division of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office tasked with protecting the public from aggressive and dangerous animals, making available safe, loving animals for adoption, and offering a number of affordable health and welfare services to pet owners. Sarge and feline mascot Mia play a role in the WCAC team by greeting visitors and representing the resilient spirit of abused and aban-

doned animals to heal and to become vital members of loving households across Worcester County.

WCAC officers promote adoption and strive to educate the public about the proper care and handling of pets. They know that human intervention is essential when it comes to rescuing abused and neglected animals. Animal neglect occurs with far more frequency than animal cruelty, and the primary tool used to conquer neglect is education.

What does the proper care and handling of pets entail? Simply put, it's providing an animal's fundamental needs: access to fresh, clean water and food, adequate shelter from the elements, veterinary care to protect against parasites and disease, spaying or neutering to avoid unwanted litters, and providing pets with plenty of opportunities for exercise and attention, as like humans most pets are active, social creatures who need the interaction. Obedience lessons are also useful to help new puppies understand basic commands and to socialize them.

Other steps that any animal lover can take to help include reporting suspected cases of neglect or abuse to Animal Control, and volunteering or adopting an animal from a local shelter.

WCAC hosts spay and neuter clin-



ics two Mondays each month, with dates announced the prior month. The cost for each male dog up to 80 lbs or each female dog up to 60 lbs is \$100. The cost for each male or female cat is \$50. Dogs may be picked up at 3:00 p.m. and cats may be picked up at 3:30 p.m. the day of the surgery.

To learn more about WCAC, make an appointment for an upcoming spay and neuter clinic date in July, or find out how you can help support abused and neglected animals, call (410) 632-1340, or visit them on Facebook under Worcester County Animal Control.



Flag Day - Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645 celebrated Flag Day on Saturday, June 18. The history of the flags of the United States was read as the scouts from Boy Scout Troop #225 carried the flags as they were described. The Elks petitioned the Congress to designate a special day as Flag Day and June 14 was selected. This is significant to the Fraternal Order of Elks because to be an Elk you must be a United States Citizen and believe in God.

Things change

Author's Note: Recently I took some time to visit my mother who now lives in the home built by my grandparents. It was a nice visit. My time there conjured up thoughts that are shared below.



It's All About . . .

By **Chip Bertino**

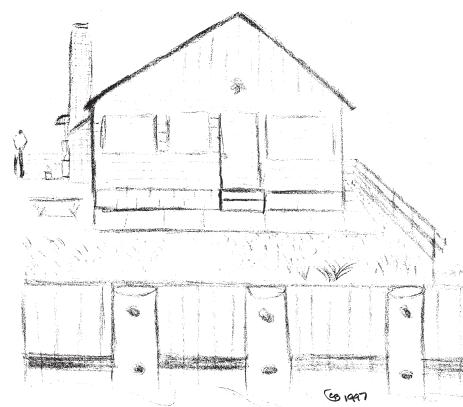
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On the New Jersey shore of the Delaware Bay, at the end of a narrow street is a house, not very big but big enough. The original house was built around 1959 with additions constructed during the subsequent decade. It's modest, some may even say very modest, compared to many of the homes that have sprung up around it. No matter. It stands sure and proud having weathered its share of Nor'easters and hurricanes. It has nothing to prove.

Its nearly 60 years have come with change both noticeable and not so noticeable. It's always been white but the color of its shutters went from blue to black at some time during the 1980s. Now there are no shutters at all. A fireplace was added many years ago and the awning that once covered the front porch is no longer there. A large deck just out the backdoor offers a comfortable spot to watch the sun set behind the horizon on the bay. The deck is relatively new but the sunsets have been there since forever.

There's an outbuilding across the concrete driveway that includes a garage, utility house and screened summer porch. Though it is rarely occupied, unique looking chairs, a table and various items of interest hang on the walls of the porch.

Some years ago the old white wooden fence was replaced with a more durable, more maintenance-free black chain link fence. The gates now swing freely and lock in position, something the old white fence didn't offer.



The ramp that was used in years past to launch and retrieve boats is now nearly sand covered, only a couple feet of concrete is showing to indicate its existence.

The simple area where geraniums and marigolds and lilies once were planted are no more, having been replaced with walkways through a well-managed garden boasting color and texture, scent and little birds chirping and frolicking in various baths. Syncopated

chimes are animated by casual breezes. Randomly placed chairs reveal themselves along the path, beckoning for company. Ensconced among the plants, trees and bushes are various ancient tools, little tables, statuary and the cowling of an old outboard motor situated just where they ought to be, adding a comfortable and inviting dimension to the garden experience.

The once irritating yet functional furnishings of the house are gone having been replaced by comfortable sofas and

chairs. Photographs of family ancestors, some dating back more than a century, now adorn the walls bringing to life familial heritage and eliciting a smile or two as memories are shared.

As a child that house on the shore and all that was around it was my playground and escape. As I stood recently at the fence looking out at the bay I could hear my childhood echo beyond the sea. It seemed like only yesterday when I stood at the same spot wearing only a swimming suit and watched the many boats ride at their moorings. That was nearly a half century ago. A lot of living has occurred in the interim.

It's funny how an impromptu visit to a childhood home can make you pause for a time and remember how things were and what they've become.



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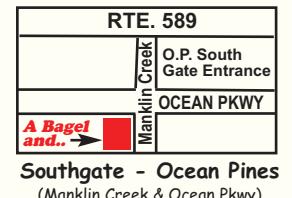
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"We've added this valuable, informal workshop to give the community an easy option for learning more about taking charge of their health and the wellness of their family. It is a great addition to our extensive community education calendar and has been well

received," said Atlantic General Hospital Population Health Manager, Donna Nordstrom, RN, BSN, MS.

On July 11, Andi West-McCabe, RN, BSN, MS, NE-BC director of emergency and surgical services at Atlantic General Hospital, will lead a discussion to help attendees test their "Health Literacy Navigation Skills," answering questions like: Where is the best place to go when I'm sick? and What can I do to keep from getting sick in the first place? A wealth of information will be shared so that attendees will walk away better knowing how to make the right healthcare decisions for themselves and family members.

To learn more or to register, please visit <http://www.atlanticgeneral.org/Calendar>.



Clean-up — On June 6 members of the Ocean City Power Squadron a unit of the United States Power Squadrons participated in the annual spring cleanup of Pintail Park in Ocean Pines. As part of a commitment to support our community, on land as well as the water, Pintail Park was adopted and has been maintained for the past several years by the Ocean City Power Squadron.

Members pictured are from left to right are: 1st Row: Morton Brown; 2nd Row: Antonino Curro, Raymond Calandra, Bela Gulyas, John Wytrwal, Jean Stiehl, Teresa West, Joleen Killinger; 3rd Row: Janet Tellman, Patti Lookner, Neal Lookner, Marjorie Calandra, Stuart Glassman, William Sewell, Jack Sipes, Fredrick Stiehl, David McAllister, Anthony Smith; 4th Row: John Tellman, Stock Harmon, John Hess and William Killinger.

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The Mediacom representatives took in the criticism and claimed they use it to improve. "We have these meetings so we can hear what

you have to say and improve from it," stated Boggs. "We take your comments and concerns seriously."

The meeting concluded as OPA board member Tom Terry explained to attendees that Ocean Pines' contract with Mediacom does not end until 2018. "If we were to break this contract, we would have to buy all of Mediacom's assets and basically become a cable company," Terry explained.

Mediacom representatives encouraged those in attendance to voice any remaining concerns or questions privately following the meeting.

Letters sent to The Courier for publication consideration must be signed and include a telephone number where the author can be reached to verify authenticity, if necessary. Letters are not corrected for spelling or grammar and priority will be given to letters of 300 words or less. Letters must be received by Friday at 5 p.m. They can be e-mailed to:
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Just Good Business...

Brothers in business for almost thirty years

By Jean Marx

George and Scott Smith are brothers who have built a successful business with the underlying philosophy of honesty, hard work, and integrity. As two of five children, they grew up loving Ocean City through family visits every summer from as far back as they can remember. Originally from Baltimore, the brothers started their careers working in the automotive industry for other companies.

Their opportunity to branch out on their own came in 1987 when a bay became available for lease in an automotive company formerly owned by Harry Wilkerson on 10436 Racetrack Road in Berlin. The space had one center post lift to raise the cars to be worked on. Over the years, the brothers eventually took over the entire building and have expanded from one lift to their present 10 automotive lifts.

Expansion has become a theme over the years for the Smith brothers. A short time after opening their Racetrack Auto business, George and Scott foresaw the value in starting a tow truck fleet to be able to tow the vehi-

cles they were servicing. Two of their premier customers became the local police departments and AAA. Today, there are 12 trucks in their fleet.

Auto body repair soon became another natural extension to Racetrack Auto's business. In 1992, the brothers opened an auto body repair shop in Selbyville, Delaware that they named Racetrack Auto Body. They performed auto body and frame repairs, painting, and collision work and soon expanded to servicing vehicle fleets. They also performed Maryland State inspections. In 2001, they purchased Coppers Auto Repair off Route 50 at 10834 Ocean Gateway in Berlin. The five acres of property allowed them to offer boat repairs and the sale of boat trailers in addition to the auto repair, body shop, and parts business, so they named this location Racetrack Auto & Marine, and today it continues to flourish.

In addition to marine repair, two years ago George and Scott added the sale of new boats to their repertoire. This location is 10438 Racetrack Road, a door down from their original Race-

track Auto & Tire location. From new boats to engine repairs, boat trailers, and winterization, Racetrack Marine has you covered. They sell Deep Vee boats, pontoons and skiffs from such brands as Venture, Sea Fox, Sundance, and Montego Bay and can offer financing arrangements.

Another significant line of business for Racetrack Auto & Marine is pre-owned car sales that they launched 10 years ago. This line is Racetrack Auto Sales located in Showell. The address is 11740 Old Worcester Highway, and the hours are very convenient at 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. every day. Not only can you buy your car there but you can get your tags and title the same day. This is the only auto sales company in Worcester County that provides tag and title service. Finally, after you peruse the car lot, you can seek refreshment at their



small beer and wine store called Smith's Market.

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Consumer Tip

Bottled water may not be as pure as expected

Many people opt for bottled water hoping to avoid the potential pathogens lurking inside of regular tap water. But consuming bottled water contributes to the ever-growing problem of discarded plastic bottles and other waste, and you may not be getting what you think when choosing bottled water over tap water. The National Resources Defense Council says sales of bottled water have tripled in the past 10 years to around \$4 billion per year, fueled largely on the premise that bottled water comes from crystal-clean springs or untouched glaciers. According to U.S. government estimates and industry experts, as much as 40 percent of bottled water is derived from tap water. The NRDC says even



one brand of "spring water" was found to come from a well in an industrial facility's parking lot near a hazardous waste dump. Also, many bottled waters are exempt from the Food and Drug Administration's bottled water standards because the FDA says its rules do not apply to water packaged and sold within the same state. When waters are covered and tested, they may be subject to weaker regulations than regular tap water. What's more, even if bottled water is thoroughly filtered, data suggests that plastic bottles could be putting your health at risk. According to the organization Ban the Bottle, water contained in polyethylene terephthalate (PET) bottles can absorb chemicals from the plastic the longer the water is in storage. These include a chemical called antimony, a white metallic element that in small doses can cause nausea, dizziness and depression. In large doses, antimony can be fatal. Bottled water that is sitting in a hot area can leach the chemicals even faster.

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Happy birthday - The Juliets Club celebrated member Shelly Kenny's birthday at DeNovos Trattoria in Ocean Pines. She was inducted as a new member having just moved to Ocean Pines. DeNovos owner **Bob Beck** is standing behind her as he too welcomed her to his restaurant. Photo by Anna Foulz.

How to use clouds to predict weather

Meteorologists rely on electronic equipment and their knowledge of weather patterns to provide forecasts each and every day. But weather can be unpredictable, and even the most reliable weather prognosticator can sometimes get it wrong.

Novices can try their hands at predicting the weather by interpreting the environmental signs around them.

Earth science is a part of many elementary school curriculums. Current students and adults can use what they learn or learned about cloud types and formations to determine if rain is coming or if they can leave their umbrellas at home. Clouds can say a lot about both the current weather and what is to come.

According to Weather Wiz Kids, clouds are formed from very tiny droplets of water or ice crystals. Because the droplets are so small and light, they can float in the air. The characteristics and look of clouds are dictated by temperature, height, wind, and the amount of water vapor in the air, as well as the influence of other air masses.

Clouds can say a lot about the weather, and weather prognosticators have relied on clouds for centuries to help make their predictions. Understanding clouds and what makes each cloud type unique can help amateur meteorologists impress their friends and avoid being caught in inclement

weather.

Altocumulus: These are mid-level clouds that look like a layer of white and gray cotton. The presence of these clouds may indicate rain is on the way.

Cumulus clouds: These clouds can look like cauliflower in shape. While they are usually seen in fair weather, they can produce short spurts of rain.

Cirrus: Cirrus clouds are high, wispy and feathery and found above 20,000 feet. Cirrus clouds can indicate that a storm system is approaching within a day or so. This may be especially true if cirrus clouds are showing tails. According to The Homeschool Scientist, seeing a few cirrus clouds in the sky means that fair weather is on the way. If they grow in number and almost cover the sky, look for rain within 24 hours.

Cumulonimbus: These towering clouds are good harbingers of rainy weather. They tend to form when thunderstorms are imminent. They also may accompany strong storms that produce hail, wind and even tornadoes.

Stratus: Low-lying, flat and gray, stratus clouds are usually seen during rain, snow or misty conditions.

Cloud watching can be an interesting hobby and a great way to grow acquainted with the workings of weather systems. Children can take chances predicting the weather based on cloud formations to see if their predictions come true.

Prince's death shows the importance of a will

By **Mike Mathers**

By now you have probably heard about the death of legendary musician Prince last month, and the unfortunate fact that he appears to have died without ever writing a will. Without any guidance as to his preferred heirs, how to manage the legacy of his music, or even a suggested person to be in charge of the estate, a Minnesota court has appointed a large trust company to open probate on the estate's behalf.

Without a will naming the heirs to Prince's estate, the court is forced to go searching for his blood relatives, sometimes including "Girls and Boys" with very little biological or personal relationship to the singer. Calculating the taxes owed to the federal and state governments has been an even bigger source of "Controversy" for those involved. In many cases, a well designed estate plan can include specific provisions to reduce estate, inheritance and capital gains taxes, as well as planning for the management of paying off debts with preferred assets. When the news broke that Prince died without a will, I can imagine the I.R.S. shouting "Let's Go Crazy" collecting taxes.

According to news reports, the estimated tax bill from the Purple One's estate is \$300 million dollars. The biggest problem facing the trust administrators is that this may be more money than Prince had available in cash. If that is the case, they will have to begin selling non-cash assets to pay the bill. This might mean pulling the "Little Red Corvette" out of the garage and taking it straight to the auction house; or possibly selling valuable intellectual property such as unreleased songs and recordings.

Prince was a genius not just in making music but in the music busi-

ness as well, and so it is quite surprising that he never set out an estate plan. The reality though is that many people who draft wills make a different mistake of allowing them to fall hopelessly out of date. During Prince's career, the maximum estate tax rate has bounced from as high as 77%, to as low as zero in the year 2010. What I am saying is that even if Prince had a will, but the tax planning provisions were old and out of date, his estate could have ended up paying like it's "1999."

A well prepared estate plan will be as unique as you are. Some people might carefully designate heirlooms to specific family members, such as giving your treasured "Raspberry



Mike Mathers



Beret" to your favorite niece. Other individuals choose to simply have all assets sold and let the money fall down on their family like a "Purple Rain." Whatever your wishes may be, you have the chance to lay out a clear plan for your heirs by writing a will and keeping it updated. Prince's music inspired millions of people over the years, and it would be an unexpected but positive result if his death inspires people to finally take a moment to put their affairs in order.

Mike Mathers is a local attorney who practices in estate planning and elder law. He can be reached at 410-208-3331 or Mike@mbmatherslaw.com.



Pictured are L - R, **Judy Baumgartner**, OPGC Scholarship Committee chair; **Zainab Mirza**, scholarship recipient; and **Ruby Mirza**, scholarship recipient's mother.

Garden tour held

On Thursday, June 9, the Ocean Pines Garden Club held its annual garden tour featuring eight gardens in Ocean Pines. This year's theme was "Hats Off to our Gardens" and the gardens not only included beautiful lawns, flowers and trees, but vegetables, tropicals, statuary and one even featured a train garden. The tour was followed by a luncheon at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club where a scholarship award was presented to Zainab Mirza,

a recent graduate of Stephen Decatur High School. Ms. Mirza will attend American University in the fall to study international relations with concentrations in environmental policy and peace and conflict resolution. She then hopes to serve in the Peace Corps for two years, focusing on environmental development, and then on to law school. Next year's garden tour and luncheon is planned for June 8, 2017.

Tournament seeks golfers

Diakonia, the area's only comprehensive provider of emergency and transitional housing, emergency food services, counseling and assistance, is seeking golfers for its 7th annual golf tournament fundraiser on Wednesday, July 20, at the Ocean City Golf Club, Seaside Course, on South Point.

Claudia Nagle, Diakonia's Executive Director, explains that "The tournament is our nonprofit organization's biggest fundraiser of the year and provides needed revenue during the slower fundraising summer months. The demand for the emergency and transitional services Diakonia provides to all three Lower Shore counties is always there and we rely heavily on the success of this tournament. It's a fun day and we hope to see many of our community friends and supporters, as well as new faces, on the links July 20."

Registration includes golf cart, Captain's Choice Scramble, tee gift

and complimentary refreshments. Mulligans will be available. A catered lunch begins at 11:30 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 1 p.m., with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar during the final scoring segment. The event concludes with an awards presentation and announcement of all raffle and 50-50 prize winners. A grand prize of a car donated by Sherwood of Salisbury will be awarded to the lucky person who is able to score a hole in one on the designated tee.

Sign up with a team of four, or as an individual and be assigned to a team. Cost is \$100 per player, \$400 a team. Business or professional sponsorship opportunities are also available and greatly appreciated.

To register to play, or inquire about being an event, team or tee-flag-hole sponsor, contact Sandy Sribnick at 301-922-4127 or email at ssribnick@rcn.com

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50. Grinder

51. University of Dayton

52. Sodium

54. Fashion de-signer Chapman

55. Brood of pheasant

57. Doolittle was one

61. Equally

62. "Bring Em Out" rapper

For Art's Sake...

Auguste Rodin

By Stasia Heubeck

Auguste Rodin, born in Paris, France in 1840 is renowned for his sculptures, "The Thinker" and "The Kiss." Rejected from attending

cused of making the cast from the live model.

Rodin's career spanned a period of more than 50 years. He had many private patrons but his most famous

commission was from the French Ministry of Fine Art for a pair of bronze doors for a new museum, depicting a scene from "The Inferno" from Dante's "Divine Comedy." Titled "The Gates of Hell," Rodin worked on the project for 37 years but it was never cast in bronze until 1925, eight years after his death. Rodin cast some of the figures from the work as individual pieces; "The Thinker," which appears at the top of the work, was one of these.

Originally titled "The Poet," this figure represented Dante, the Italian poet who wrote "The Divine

famous Ecole des Beaux-Arts, the young sculptor struggled to learn his art and perfect his skills. He is called an Impressionist because his works have a rough unfinished look, not the polished appearance of a formally trained artist. However, he strived to depict his subjects realistically; so much so, that when he exhibited "The Age of Bronze," the figure of a male nude, he was ac-

companied by circles of Hell from "The Inferno." Foundry workers first named the piece "The Thinker." Cast versions can be seen around the world. The first large-scale bronze casting sits in the Rodin Museum in Paris. The first casting, using the lost-wax method, is in Grawemeyer Hall at the University of Louisville in Kentucky.

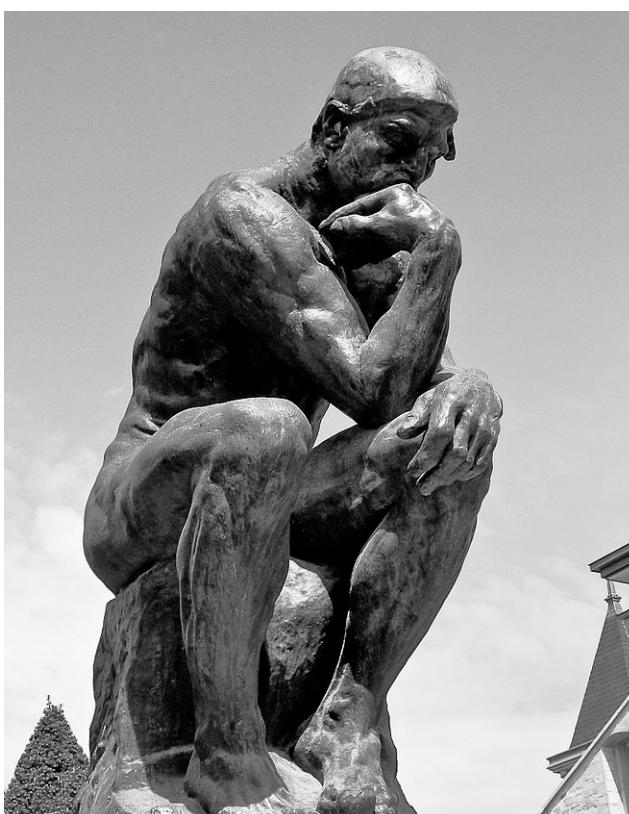
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George relates that all the long hours and little sleep in their first several years in business are paying off for Scott and himself. They are proud of the reputation they have built from the ground up with their company, and they continue to thrive as business partners. Each has fulfilled a lifetime dream of being able to live on the water. As George says, "To me, the Ocean City area is my paradise."

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What's Happening at Wallops

Scientific balloons give science a lift

By Steve Habeger

Scientists all over the world seek to study many different phenomena. A scientist may develop an instrument (a gamma ray telescope, for example) but how can the instrument be placed in the needed environment? If the instrument needs to be very high in the atmosphere for a month or more and then be gently recovered, the answer may well be a scientific balloon. A scientific balloon can place the instrument *in situ* (the term means "in the natural or original position or place" according to the Merriam Webster Dictionary). In this article we will explore the fascinating topic of scientific balloons.

It is hard to capture the gargantuan size of typical modern scientific balloons, in large measure because we don't see them in their operating environment. Scientific balloons expand as they rise and atmospheric pressure drops. At the launch, the "envelope"

WWII the advent of a myriad of plastic materials provided the possibility of much larger balloons (carrying correspondingly larger payloads) to altitudes only dreamed of when using canvas or other cloth as the balloon envelope.

After WWII American scientific balloons were operated by the National Science Foundation (NSF). Approximately 35 years ago the NSF transferred management of America's Scientific Balloon program to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). NASA assigned the Wallops Flight Facility (WFF) as the program manager and, it could be said, the program really took off from there.

Debbie Fairbrother, the Texas A&M graduate who is NASA's Balloon Program Office (BPO) Chief, reports

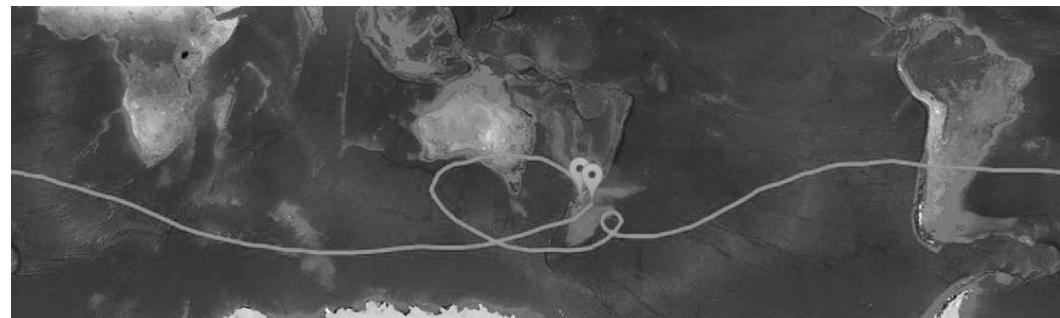


Artist concept of the super pressure balloon at altitude. Image courtesy NASA.

(the technical term for the balloon itself) appears to be very small; but when the scientific balloon reaches its operational altitude, the envelope is enormous. It is said that the Houston Astrodome would fit inside a scientific balloon envelope at its operating altitude. The attached photo shows an artist's concept of a balloon at altitude.

Fascinating photos, reports and videos of scientific balloons can be found here: <http://www.nasa.gov/scientificballoons>

Balloons have a long history (over 170 years) of scientific research, both Earth focused as well as looking to the heavens. Until approximately 1947, the available materials constrained balloons to modest altitudes. After



A screen capture of the track of the super pressure balloon in the Southern Hemisphere

the mission. The launch crew has to be in place and prepared to launch and then wait for safe conditions. One recent launch required the crew to wait for six weeks. Fortunately, that launch was in a more hospitable location than Antarctica!

The operational parameters of a

modern scientific balloon are fascinating to consider. Modern scientific balloons encompass 18.8 million-cubic-foot, lift payloads from 4,000 to 8,000 pounds to altitudes in excess of 100,000 feet (beyond all but a few percent of Earth's atmosphere),

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Tide and Sun Chart

* tide is for Ocean City Fishing Pier. Add two hours for Isle of Wight tide

DATE	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE	SUNRISE	SUNSET
Thur., June 23	10:20 a.m. 10:41 p.m.	4:22 a.m. 4:20 p.m.	5:38 a.m.	8:28 p.m.
Fri., June 24	11:06 a.m. 11:27 p.m.	5:07 a.m. 5:10 p.m.	5:38 a.m.	8:28 p.m.
Sat., June 25	11:55 a.m.	5:55 a.m. 6:04 p.m.	5:38 a.m.	8:28 p.m.
Sun., June 26	12:15 a.m. 12:48 p.m.	6:45 a.m. 7:02 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	8:28 p.m.
Mon., June 27	1:08 a.m. 1:46 p.m.	7:37 a.m. 8:04 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	8:28 p.m.
Tues., June 28	2:05 a.m. 2:48 p.m.	8:30 a.m. 9:07 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	8:28 p.m.
Wed., June 29	3:07 a.m. 3:50 p.m.	9:25 a.m. 10:12 p.m.	5:40 a.m.	8:28 p.m.

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that the current operational tempo is 10 to 14 flights a year. When WFF was assigned program leadership, a typical payload weighed 400 pounds. Now a payload between 6,000 and 8,000 pounds is considered routine.

Scientific balloons don't get live network TV coverage of the launches; the launches tend to be quiet and take place in remote areas of the world (northern Sweden and Antarctica, for example). The "launch train" comprised of the balloon, the recovery parachute and the scientific payload may be 1,000 feet long. The launch opportunity is controlled by winds, both surface and low level. A light and steady wind is needed; gusty winds or a wind shear could be disastrous for

Bible/sports school offered

Holy Trinity Cathedral is offering a Vacation Bible School Monday, June 27 through Friday, July 1 between 5 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. for children between the ages of four and 12. Each night there will be a bible story as well as a real-life athlete, team story, songs, crafts, games and dinner. The cost is \$10 per child, \$25 for a family. Holy Trinity is located at 11021 Worcester Highway in Berlin. For more information or to register, call 410-641-4882 or email vbsholytrinity@gmail.com.

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maintain the payload in that environment for weeks and then return the payload to a gentle parachute landing for recovery and possible reuse. Imagine picking up two minivans, holding them at the very threshold of space for a month (or more) and then depositing them gently back on Earth. That remarkable feat is considered 'nominal' by the experienced engineers, scientists, technicians and staff in the BPO.

The scientific balloons of today are called "zero pressure" balloons because they are vented at the bottom so that the interior pressure equals the exterior pressure. One trait of that

technology is that the balloon will rise and fall as the gas in the envelope heats and cools from the presence or absence of sunshine. The temperature excursions cause the balloon and (its payload) to rise and fall. This diurnal behavior is not desirable for certain scientific payloads. Additionally, the cyclic losses of gas limit the duration of a zero-pressure balloon.

Today, a newly developed type of balloon is aloft over the southern part of the globe (the attached image shows the path of this balloon so far). The so-called Super Pressure balloon is moderately pressurized to minimize the effects of diurnal altitude cycles. The payload of the Super Pressure balloon now in flight is a gamma-ray telescope which has pro-

vided the first view of the galactic center from the southern hemisphere. This balloon was launched from Wanaka Airport in New Zealand on May 16, 2016 and, as of this writing, is still aloft. A real time track of the balloon and images from a camera on the balloon can be seen here: <http://www.csbf.nasa.gov/newzealand/wanaka.htm>

The BPO is working with other NASA components and private industry to explore the potential of a balloon system to use on other planets with Mars, Venus and Titan as primary candidates. A balloon offers a means to measure an atmosphere in situ that is not feasible with orbiters or rovers.

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Mondays

Ocean Pines Poker Club

Poker players wanted in Ocean Pines area for Monday evenings. Call 410-208-1928

Open every Monday through October: **Historic St. Martin's Church Museum.** 1-4 pm. 11413 Worcester Highway, Showell, MD. For more information, call 410-251-2849

Sweet Adelines

The Delmarva Sweet Adeline Chorus meets from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Call 410-641-6876.

Mon. & Tues.

Sanctioned Duplicate Bridge

Open bridge games Monday at 12 p.m., Tuesday at 10 a.m. at OP Community Center. Call Mary Stover 410-726-1795

Mon., Wed. & Sat.

Church Thrift Shop

OC Baptist Church's Thrift Shop by Seaside Christian Academy behind White Marlin Mall open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mon. & Wed., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sat. Call 410-251-6971.

Tuesdays

Families Anonymous

From 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at room 37 in the the Community Church at Ocean Pines on Rte. 589. For more information call Carol at 410-208-4515.

Take off Pounds Sensibly

Meeting. Berlin group No. 331, Worcester County Health Center 9730 Healthway Dr., Berlin, 5:30-7:00 p.m. TOPS is a support and educational group promoting weight loss and healthy lifestyle. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. Info: jean-duck47@gmail.com

Tuesdaysand Thursdays

Poker players wanted for Gentlemen's Poker in North Gate

area Ocean Pines. Game played every Tuesday & Thursday evening 5:45 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. on Pinehurst Rd. Ocean Pines. Call 410-208-0063 for more information.

Wednesdays

Kiwanis Club Meeting

Weekly meetings at 8 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Ocean Pines Community Center. Doors open 7 a.m. October through April.

Elks Bingo

Ocean City Elks in Ocean City (behind Fenwick Inn) open at 5:30 p.m. Early birds at 6:30 and bingo at 7 p.m. Call 410-250-2645.

Delmarva Hand Dancing

Dancing at The Fenwick Inn in Ocean City from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Contact 302-934-7951 or info@delmarvahanddancing.com

Rotary Club

Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club meetings are held at 5:45 p.m. at the Captains Table in Ocean City. Contact Stan.Kahn@carouselhotel.com.

Square Dancing

The Pinestepers have introduction to square dancing at the OP Community Center at 7 p.m. Call Bruce Barrett at 410-208-6777.

AL-Anon/OP-West OC-Berlin

Wednesday Night Bayside Beginnings Al-Anon family meetings are held at the Ocean Pines Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sat.

Church Thrift Shop

The Shepherd's Nook at Community Church at Ocean Pines is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 410-641-5433.

Diakonia Thrift Shop

'Used to be Mine' offers clothing, furniture, household items and more. Proceeds benefit Diakonia shelter and pantry. Located at

Rte. 611 and Sunset Ave. Open 10 - 4. Call 410-213-0243.

Thursdays

Story Time

Stories, music and crafts at 10:30 a.m. for children ages 3-5 at Ocean Pines library. Call 410-208-4014.

Beach Singles

Beach Singles 45 for Happy Hour at Harpoon Hanna's at 4 p.m. Call Arlene at 302-436-9577, Kate at 410-524-0649 or Dianne at 302-541-4642.

Legion Bingo

American Legion in Ocean City opens doors at 5:30 p.m., games begin at 7. For information call 410-289-3166.

Gamblers Anonymous

Group meets at 8 p.m. at the Atlantic Club, 11827 Ocean Gateway, West Ocean City. Call 888-424-3577 for help.

Fridays

Knights of Columbus Bingo

Bingo will be held behind St. Luke's Church, 100th St. in Ocean City. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments available. Call 410-524-7994.

K of C to host events

The Knights of Columbus will host several events during the summer.

The organization will host Crab Nights starting June 14 and every Tuesday through August 30. Between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. diners will enjoy crabs and shrimp. A cash bar will be available. Pick-up orders will be taken between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays.

On Friday evenings June 10 and 17, the Knights will host bingo. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the games begin at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be available.

The All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet will be open the second and fourth Sunday of each month between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children age eighth and under.

The events will take place in Columbus Hall situated behind St. Luke's Church at 9901 Coastal Highway in Ocean City. For more information call 410-524-7994.



Proud family - Emily Cook received a scholarship from the Arts Council and also performed beautifully on her violin making her family proud. (L-R) **Lynda Cook, Tyler Cook, Emily Cook and Jonathan Cook.** It was the 40 year celebration of the Arts Council, held at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Photo by Anna Foulz.

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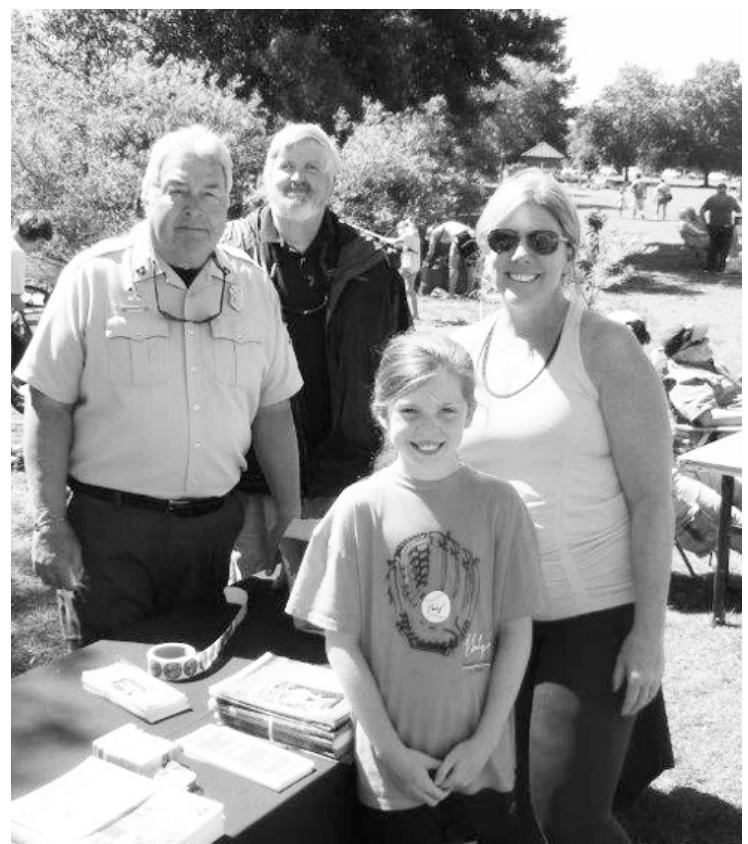
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Kids learn fishing fun

The Ocean Pines Anglers Club hosted the annual Teach A Kid To Fish event on Saturday at the South Gate Pond. Beautiful weather greeted Chairman Lee Phillips and his volunteers as close to 100 kids, parents and grandparents learned about the sport of fishing. Young aspiring anglers visited stations exhibiting fishing rules, lure selection, knot tying, tackle, fish identification and casting. Free bait was provided so newly acquired skills could be put to use by the kids. Fish were caught and at the conclusion of the event a drawing was held and one young angler went home with a new rod and reel. All the young anglers left with a new appreciation for the sport of fishing and a smile on their faces.

Photos by Jack Barnes



Buddy Seigel shows knot tying to Stacy and Melanie



Power Squadron blesses the fleet

On June 12 the Ocean City Power Squadron held its annual Blessing of the Fleet at the Ocean Pines Marina. The event was attended by OC Power Squadron members and guests and was followed by a cruise to Seacrets for a lunch and social gathering. This year the OC Power Squadron was pleased to have the US Coast Guard from the Ocean City Station participate in our annual event.

According to Lt. John J Wytrwal of the Power Squadron about a dozen boats participated in the ceremony.

The Blessing of the Fleet ceremony has been passed down through generations of sailors, fishermen, merchant mariners and navies around the world and is intended to safeguard crews and ships from the dangers of the seas through a traditional blessing given by a clergyman at the waters edge. Past Commander Charles W. Hinz, a member of the OCPS, provided the blessing this year.

The Ocean City Power Squadron, a

unit of the United States Power Squadrons, the oldest and largest recreational boater education organization in the country, provides boating



seminars and courses to members and the public throughout the year and conducts free vessel safety checks to assure that boaters have all the necessary safety equipment on their vessels required by the US Coast Guard and the State of Maryland. For further information on the Power Squadron or its classes or to schedule a free vessel safety check contact Executive Officer John Hess at 410-208-0431 or Educational Officer Mort Brown at 410-641-8040.



Honored - Rising Stars Awards were presented to Stephen Decatur Middle School students during the Honors Recognition Ceremony. This award recognizes students who have participated in voluntary service activities for their school and local community organizations.

Front (l to r): Gracie Revel, Izzy Vazquez, Kaya Colley, Laura Meadows, Eliza Siegel, Gabrielle Izzett and Allison Marx
Back: Elizabeth Berkey, Hanna Beck, Sydney Boger, Kyla Scherlag, Madison Birckett, Damiana Colley, Zehra Mirza and Maeve Donahue.

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